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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 8 August 2006, time for response to which was set to expire 8 September 2006. A petition for an extension of time of one-month until 8 October 2006 is attached along with the required fee. As the 8th was a Sunday and the 9th was a holiday, this response is timely filed.

Restriction was required among four groups. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-3. The non-elected claims are canceled except for those of Group IV, claims 19-20, which depend from Group I, and applicants believe will be rejoined upon a finding of allowability of claim 1.